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TORREJON, NOVEMBER 6TH:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L MADRID 6954

FROM AMBASSADOR MCCLOSKEY

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SPANISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS - MADRID ROUND,
NOV 4-7

1. NEGOTIATION SESSIONS WERE HELD MORNING AND AFTERNOON
NOV 4, MORNING OF NOV 5 AND MORNING NOV 6 TO BE FOLLOWED
BY LUNCHEON OFFERED BY SPANISH NOV 7. AMBASSADOR
MCCLOSKEY HEADED US DELEGATION. OTHER MEMBERS WERE
ALAN LUKENS, DIRECTOR OF IBERIAN AFFAIRS; LAWRENCE
PEZZULLO, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO AMBASSADOR; PHILIP
BARRINGER, DIRECTOR FOREIGN MILITARY RIGHTS AFFAIRS
(DOD/ISA); AND ROBERT FOUCHE, EMBASSY MADRID.

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2. SPANISH DELEGATION HEADED BY UNDERSECRETARY FOREIGN

AFFAIRS JUAN JOSE ROVIRA. OTHERS IN DELEGATION INCLUDED MARTINEZ CARO, DIRECTOR OF MINISTER'S CABINET; MARQUES DE PERINAT, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS AND PERMANENT SECRETARY OF JOINT COMMITTEE OF SPANISH-AMERICAN DEFENSE MATTERS, MFA; AND 13-MAN MILITARY COMMISSION ESTABLISHED TO COORDINATE MILITARY POSTURE ON SPANISH SIDE. PRINCIPAL SPANISH MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES WERE MAJ GEN MANUEL GUTIERREZ MELLADO, HIGH GENERAL STAFF, MAJ GEN CARLOS DOLZ ESPEJO, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, AIR FORCE; MAJ GEN RAPHEAL GUIMERA FERRER, ARMY; AND RADM ANGEL LIBERAL LUNIN, NAVY.

3. FONMIN CORTINA DID NOT TAKE PART IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, BUT MET WITH AMB MCCLOSKEY AFTERNOON OF NOV 6.

4. ON PROCEDURAL SIDE IT WAS AGREED TO HOLD THE NEXT ROUND OF TALKS IN WASHINGTON BEGINNING DEC 9.

5. SPANISH OPENED FIRST SESSION BY EMPHASIZING THAT CHAPTER EIGHT OF THE AGREEMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION (AFC) WAS OF PRIMARY INTEREST TO THEM. THEY ASSERTED THAT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES, PRIMARILY IN PARA 6, WENT BEYOND CHAPTER EIGHT OF THE AFC AND SIGNED STRONGER COMMITMENT BY USG TO GRANT SPANISH TREATMENT IN THE DEFENSE FIELD EQUAL TO THAT AFFORDED TO ITS NATO ALLIES. THEY ALSO ARGUED THAT PARA 6 WAS A COMMITMENT BY THE US TO IMPROVE DEFENSE COOPERATION. THEY SAID THAT A NEW AGREEMENT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO MIRROR THE SPIRIT OF THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES.

6. ROVIRA EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO CONCLUDE THE NEGOTIATIONS BY MAY 1975 AND THEREBY HAVE SEVERAL MONTHS FOR A PERIOD OF GESTATION OR "REFLECTION" BEFORE THE 1970 AFC EXPIRES, OR THE NEW AGREEMENT GOES INTO EFFECT.

7. MCCLOSKEY ACKNOWLEDGED US WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE AND IMPROVE COOPERATION AND COORDINATION IN THE DEFENSE FIELD BUT ARGUED THAT THE US BELIEVED THIS COULD BE CONFIDENTIAL

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ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CURRENT AGREEMENT. HE SAID THE US SIDE WAS WILLING TO CONSIDER ANY SPECIFIC POINTS THE SPANISH PUT FORWARD. SPANISH, IN TURN, PROMISED TO PROVIDE US DELEGATION WITH MORE DETAILS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION.

8. AT MORNING SESSION NOV 5 GOS DELEGATION PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

- A. NATURE OF DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP.
- B. COORDINATION OF SPAIN'S ROLE WITH WESTERN DEFENSE SYSTEMS.
- C. RENEGOTIATION OF FACILITIES PROVIDED TO THE US AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING UTILIZATION.
- D. RENEGOTIATION OF MILITARY QUID.
- E. ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND CULTURAL COOPERATION.
- F. COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONING OF JOINT INSTITUTIONS.

9. ROVIRA SUGGESTED THAT THE SUBSTANCE OF ITEM E. APPEARED SUITABLE FOR DISCUSSION BY SPECIALIZED STUDY GROUPS, WHICH HE PROPOSED MEET IN MADRID. HE OBSERVED THAT DISCUSSION OF ITEMS A. AND B. ABOVE CONSTITUTED THE CORE CONCERN OF THE GOS AND WOULD HAVE TO BE AGREED UPON BEFORE THE GOS WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER ITEMS C. AND D.

10. IT WAS AGREED THAT ITEMS A. AND B. WERE ACCEPTABLE FOR THE DEC ROUND OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, SUBJECT TO AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS AGREED TO BY BOTH PARTIES.

11. THE FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE WAS APPROVED FOR RELEASE NOV 7, 1 PM MADRID TIME.

QUOTE

A DELEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HEADED BY AMB MCCLOSKEY AND A SPANISH DELEGATION HEADED BY UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, JUAN JOSE ROVIRA, MET IN MADRID AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE FROM NOV 4 TO 7, IN ORDER TO BEGIN THE NEGOTIATIONS ON DEFENSE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE LIGHT OF THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES SIGNED LAST JULY.

THE TWO DELEGATIONS FIRST DISCUSSED THEIR PROGRAM OF WORK AND AGREED ON AN AGENDA TO COVER THE MAIN POINTS
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OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

THEY ALSO EXCHANGED VIEWS ON THE OTHER ASPECTS OF THEIR COOPERATION AND ON THEIR FUTURE METHOD OF WORK AND AGREED THAT WORKING GROUPS WOULD BE FORMED TO DEAL WITH THE ECONOMIC, TECHNOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL ASPECTS OF THEIR COOPERATION.

THE NEXT PLENARY SESSION WILL TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON IN EARLY DEC.

THE MEETINGS WERE CARRIED OUT IN A SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. DURING THE SESSIONS AMB MCCLOSKEY, ACCOMPANIED BY THE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES IN MADRID, WAS RECEIVED BY FOREIGN MINISTER PEDRO CORTINA.

BEFORE AMB MCCLOSKEY'S DEPARTURE, THE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE OFFERED A FAREWELL LUNCH

TO HIM AND TO THE DELEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES.
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12. DESPITE MCCLOSKEY'S EXPLANATION OF CONGRESSIONAL
RESTRAINTS, IT WAS QUITE CLEAR THAT THE GOS PRINCIPAL
CONCERN IS TO REDEFINE THE US-SPANISH RELATIONSHIP IN
THE DEFENSE FIELD. WHILE THEY NEVER STATED OUTRIGHT
THAT THEY WERE SEEKING A MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY, THEY
ARE SEEKING JOINT MILITARY PLANNING AND COORDINATION OF
THE SPANISH DEFENSE ROLE WITH THAT OF THE USG AND NATO.
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